7 Red get Wrapped!

Year 7 wrapped up their study of Ancient Egypt last term with a sumptuous morning where they presented their children’s books and had a lot of fun getting mummified.

As part of 7 Red’s investigation into Ancient Egypt, student’s finished the term by working on a group project to produce a children’s book which focused on Egyptian Adventures in the Afterlife.

Students researched the topic focusing on areas like: Weighing of the Heart; The Role of Osiris; The feather of Truth and The Devourer of Souls.

They then set to work planning, writing and publishing their books. On Thursday morning the class celebrated the end of the semester, presenting their work and having an opportunity to read through the wonderful publications including Sacmis’ Afterlife, The Journey, Gandad’s Story, and The Next World.

After a yummy morning tea 7 Red were given an unusual challenge – to wrap a mummy in the fastest time possible. Armed with toilet tissue there were some very interesting moments as the groups worked out how best to tackle the challenge. The forum erupted, student’s emerged from upstairs rooms to see what was happening and a lot of fun was had. The results were interesting…. (see page 7 for photos) Mrs David
From the Principal's Desk

Last week I had the opportunity to mark some of our Year 12 half yearly Economics papers. Having marked the HSC in previous years I was very impressed with the standard of the students in Mrs Hyder’s class. With a little more polish they will do very well at the HSC.

Our Dux for 2013, James Morgan, returned for a visit at the end of last term. He is enjoying studying a double degree in Science and Computing at the Australian National University. His ATAR was upgraded to 99.5 and he said he was extremely happy with the preparation for university he gained from Woolgoolga High School.

Our school has become a training hub for Dell. Dell will provide ICT and 21st century learning opportunities for our staff. Last Monday Dell flew Jill Andrew (a former K-12 ICT Consultant from Western Sydney) to Woolgoolga to help train approximately 80 Mathematics and 80 HSIE teachers in the latest technology. The teachers came from Maclean to Nambucca to Dorrigo as part of our LLN Network of schools. Dell are keen to work with our staff and invited staff from other schools whenever we can organise time for our staff to do so. We are indeed a lucky school to have access to such high quality training at no cost!

Education Week begins Monday 28th July. Please see page 4 of the Newsletter for a timetable of activities. We look forward to welcoming parents and members of the community to our school.

In sporting news, we wish the 26 students competing at the Regional Athletics Carnival in Coffs Harbour today a huge success. Well done on your effort in getting to this stage!

Congratulations also to Vaughn Franklin of Year 10 on his achievement in his chosen sport at the NSW and Australian Off-Road Enduro Championships held recently in Kyogle.

Our positive award scheme saw many students receive Bronze, Silver and Gold awards for Term 2. It’s great to see students taking an active role in reaching these goals. Congratulations to all!

Thanks to Lalla Jones and her small team of willing painters who worked tirelessly throughout sport last term. Working with the Woolgoolga Chamber of Commerce they transformed/painted the local skate park and the two buoys in the centre of Woolgoolga. Thanks also to Ryans Bus Service for donating free travel for this community based group.

The bus bay is nearly complete and is now much safer for our students. Thanks to Coffs council.

Steele Beveridge retired last week and I am not sure if sport will even be the same at Woolgoolga High. He has had a distinguished career leading our sporting elite by example. There would be few at his age with the capabilities to complete half and full marathons. He has had an outstanding career in the English department over many years and has helped countless Woolgoolga High students gain successful pathways into their lives. He will be missed at the school. Good luck in retirement Steele!

Two new teachers started this term at Woolgoolga High. Rachel Piper, who is a specialist extension II Mathematics teacher and a targeted graduate; and Melissa Spillett a band 6 student while attending a local high school in Metals & Engineering. I am sure she will give a boost to the number of girls entering trade as she will be an excellent role model. Melissa is joining our technology (TAS) staff.

A half-day Public Holiday has been declared for Thursday 7 August 2014 – Coffs Harbour Cup Day. Our school will be non-operational from 12 noon, Thursday 7 August 2014. See page 5 of this Newsletter for details regarding buses.

Until next time
Guy Wright
Principal
The WHS P & C meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 6.30pm

The uniform shop will go to tender as the current lease expires this year. The new tendering process will be advertised early next week in the Coffs Coast Advocate and the Woolgoolga Advertiser.

CONGRATULATIONS

Deliyah Thorncraft of Year 8
winner of an iPad Mini
for Semester 1, 2014

Woopis are issued providing instant recognition of students complying with the school expectations. Students are encouraged to enter their woopis into the fortnightly draw where 3 winners each receive a canteen voucher. All tickets are collected throughout the semester to go into a draw for a major prize which is drawn at a special assembly.

Jeans for Genes®
Finding cures for childhood diseases
Friday 1st August

Students are encouraged to wear denim jeans and bring a gold coin donation. Every student who donates a gold coin will get a small prize.

There will also be a prize for the "most denim"!

Jeans for Genes Merchandise is available from the front office.

Proudly supporting Children's Medical Research Institute
Celebrating 21 years of Jeans for Genes
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<td>Break 2 – Open Mic in the Music rooms. All welcome to perform or be our audience.</td>
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ALL WEEK – VISIT ANYTIME Please collect a Guest sticker from the front office.

- Open classrooms in Textiles and Food Technology rooms.
- Visual Arts/Photography displays in the Art Block Foyer, Forum and School Library.
- Library displays all week.
15 July 2014

LOCAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY – COFFS HARBOUR GOLD CUP
Thursday 7 August 2014

As was the case last year, a half-day Public Holiday has been declared for Thursday 7 August 2014 – Coffs Harbour Cup Day.

Our school will be non-operational from 12 noon, Thursday 7 August 2014

The school will be open normally from 8.45am on Thursday, but arrangements will need to be made for students to be collected by 12 noon. Students should not be sent to school if they cannot be collected or do not have your permission to walk home at 12 noon.

We have been advised that Sahdra Bus Service will be running buses at approximately 12 noon on this day and students who normally catch Sahdra buses can do so at this time.

Ryan's Bus Service has advised that their bus services will not be running at noon on Thursday. Students who regularly catch Ryan's buses will need to make other arrangements.

The canteen will operate as usual at Break 1 from 11.10 – 11.40am.

Yours sincerely

Guy Wright
Principal
Want to use your artistic skills to raise awareness of threatened species in our area?
The Solitary Islands Marine Park is running a competition in which you use marine debris, like washed up plastic items, to create an artwork of a local threatened species of wildlife. See Mrs Dean in the Science Staffroom for an entry form.

Janugiina (a Gumbaynggirr Language band) at the Launch of "Right at Home", a Volunteer Organization in Coffs Harbour and Woolgoolga. With Japreet Singh and Harlin Sidhu, 2 Gumbaynggirr language students from Woolgoolga High who spoke in Gumbaynggirr, Punjabi and English.

PDHPE

A guide to parents for prevention of anxiety and depression in their children
http://www.parentingstrategies.net/depression/

Could parents of Year 10 students sign and return the Mental Health survey permission note (coordinated by Mission Australia) so that students can complete the online survey in the near future.

An accounts reminder for all outstanding fees will be mailed out in Week 3.

EFTPOS Facilities for credit/debit card transactions are now available for making payments at the school office. There is no cash out facility. The office is open for students to make payments before school and during Break 1.
Ashlee, Alex and Mia wrapped this mummy in just record winning time!

Red get Wrapped!
Reconciliation Week Celebrations at Woolgoolga High

"Walk The Talk"

The theme of this year's Reconciliation Week celebrations was "Walk the Talk" and Year 7 students drew large footprints through the school adding to the Gumbaynggirr words:

Junyirri=Talking Together
Jaganyjirri= Walking Together

They also participated in other activities such as painting the banner. This was displayed throughout various classes in the school, with the clap sticks being played throughout the experience.

Mr Larry Hancock, Indigenous Language teacher
Students’ Photographs

There are many occasions where we would like to publish photographs of students involved in various school activities, including reports for the local papers, school newsletters, and the annual report and on our school website.

If you do not wish your child’s photograph to be used for these purposes, please notify the school in writing.

Year 11 PDHPE Board Game Assessment

The class is playing a game in order to complete a peer assessment on student-made games to increase their knowledge of work completed so far this year.
We welcome information from parents about your child’s health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child’s health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes, and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child’s health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter’s health needs or as otherwise required by law.

Peer Tutoring

Towards the end of last term an additional training session was held in the school library for the already knowledgeable and experienced Peer Reading Tutors. Their focus was on increasing the comprehension levels of students and how to make inferences using texts. In conjunction with their peers this ongoing program has had wide success as a stepping stone for students experiencing reading difficulties.
Term 2 Gold Awards

Year 7
Maddison Avery
Luke Burke
Kaleb Darbin
Matthew Dorahy
Luca Hems
Meika Hennessy
Emily Jones
Coby Lodge
Bradley Joe Peters
Alex Rook
Reeyce Sadler
Jessica Singh

Year 8
Georgia Bartley
Sam Burke
Isabel Hallam

Year 9
Luke Gustafson
Isaiah Koopmans

Year 10
Sophie Hunt
Patrick Mullan
Zoe Schmidt

Year 11
Jackson Della
Jessica Sutton
Caitlin Valentine

Year 12
Keelan Birch
Jessie Gentle
Maddison Sadler
Dylan Verhoef
Maddy Weiss
Luke Williams

Congratulations!
Year 7 Camp to the Coffs Coast Beach School

45 Year 7 students lead by 4 of our Year 8 SRC students will be heading to the Coffs Coast Beach School for a 3 day camp from Wednesday 20th August to Friday 22nd August.

Parents can expect to be sent more detailed information home towards the end of this week in regard to what to bring. Please look at the website to see more about the camp and all it has to offer.

Hope you are all getting as excited as I am!!

Overnight camps offer invaluable benefits to children. They offer a strong sense of community, teaching children how to live amongst one another and share. School camps are often designed with challenging activities as a part of the program, which place students in new, unfamiliar settings; offering them a chance to build a new foundation of confidence of which the benefits extend into the classroom, and many other aspects of life. Self-reliance, self-regulation, heightened social and interpersonal skills, teamwork and problem solving are all important life skills developed in the experiences of a school camp, and these are all incredibly important to a child’s transition into adolescence and the challenges of adulthood.

Chris Hansen, Year 7 Adviser


(Pictures from Website)
IMPORTANT SPORT DATES 2014

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PLEASE NOTE: ALL DATES AND VENUES ARE CORRECT AT TIME OF PRINTING BUT ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE SO PLEASE CHECK CLOSER TO EVENT

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for Regional Athletics Carnival in Coffs Harbour

GIRLS
Tanisha Wallace
Emily Nudd
Pavan Singh
Gemma Hutchinson
Awal Bol Maker
Isabella Oates-Herrera
Rebecca Hopkins
Annanbelle Cummings
Jorja Murphy
Jelena Layton-Sailor
Megan Mason
Berach Desalegn-Bekele
Jessica Midavaine
Rhianna Birch
Holly Stapleton

BOYS
Izack Smidt
Reagan Scheurmann
Jonathon Gusman
Noah Pilon
Isaiah Koopmans
Sam Burke
Brandon Webb
Steven Adams
Cooper Moore
Humraj Singh
Jarod Sadler
State Squash Success

In the last week of Term 2, Keelan Birch of Year 12 and Jakob Dillon of Year 9, travelled to Thornleigh in Sydney for the annual NSWCHS state squash carnival. Playing as 1st and 2nd seed respectively for the North Coast team the boys played in both the team and individual events. Thanks to consecutive wins in the teams division the North Coast group, alongside boys all from Coffs Harbour Squash, they came 2nd in the state to the Western region.

In the individuals both Keelan and Jakob made the quarter finals but were knocked out by two western players. Keelan losing 11-9 in the 5th game and Jakob went down to u/19 Australian no. 1 who ended up winning the tournament. The consistent effort throughout the week earned both players a place in the NSW team of 4, with Keelan competing in the open division and Jakob in the u/15’s; a great achievement! They now travel to Acacia Ridge in QLD from the 18th-22nd August for the Trans-Tasman Test series against New Zealand and Queensland. Their selection in the NSW team maintained the Woopi High squash success tradition.

Congratulations Keelan and Jakob!

Community News

Do you want to play basketball? Contact Carlee at Sportz Central, Coffs Harbour on 6651 1452.

High school games commence Friday 25th July at a cost of $160.00 for two terms.
Renee Rovere, Mani Bates, Elyse Partridge, Holly Baker-McKenzie, Lily O’Brien, Aimee Carr, Abby Nudd, Tahli Beringer, Hannah Janco competing at the CHSSA North Coast Gymnastics Trials at Lismore on Tuesday 24th June. Thank you to Julie Wales from So Fun Gymnastics Club for training the girls, transporting and coaching at the trials.
Flu season is here!

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

If taking holidays or long term sick leave, greater than 5 days, please apply for an exemption form from the Front Office. These days are not included as absences if appropriate paper work is completed.
Canteen—Eat Fresh

http://www.woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/parent-information

See menu with price list on the school’s website

Volunteers needed to serve in only 1 hour increments:

8.30am - 9.30am
11.00am - 12.00 noon
1.00pm - 2.00pm

If you can help please ring the school on 66541500 or follow the link on the school’s website to complete the expression of interest.

Reminder to senior students

* When driving to and from school you will need to complete the 'Conditions for Application for Student Drivers' form. This can be obtained from your year Deputy Principal.

* All senior students are to remain on school premises for the entire day. Those wishing to leave at recess or lunch time will need prior permission.

* Flexible leave passes are for students who have no timetabled classes for the beginning or end of the school day. Applications are available from your Deputy Principal.

* All senior students with unscheduled classes are expected to study in the 'Senior Area' in the Library.
Woolgoolga High School Silver Awards are generously supported by:

EAGLE BOYS PIZZA
Fawcett Street, Woolgoolga
Phone 13 14 33 or 6654 9433

MCDONALDS
Pacific Highway, Coffs Harbour

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Beach Street, Woolgoolga
Phone: 6654 2744